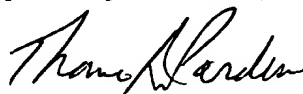


REMARKS

Claims 3 and 4 are pending. Claim 3 is amended to eliminate multiple dependencies and claim 4 is added to compensate for the subject matter deleted from Claim 3. Prompt and favorable consideration on the merits is respectfully requested.

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